

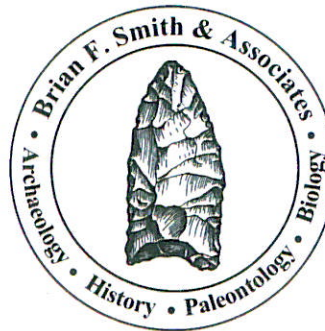
AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR THE CLUB ESTATES PROJECT

**PAUMA VALLEY, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO,
CALIFORNIA**

TTM: 5499 RPL 1; APN: 130-100-17 & -26

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Report Title: An Archaeological Survey for the Club Estates Project, Pauma Valley, County of San Diego, California

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USGS Quadrangle: Boucher Hill, California (7.5 minute)

Study Area: Approximately 49 acres

Key Words: Reconnaissance of approximately 49 acres; negative survey; USGS Boucher Hill quadrangle (7.5 minute); No impacts.



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RE: Cultural Resources – Negative Findings: Results of an Archaeological Survey for the Club Estates Project, Pauma Valley, County of San Diego, California; TTM 5499 RPL 1; APNs 130-100-17 & -26.

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to a request from V. O. Pauma Development L.P., an archaeological survey and records search review was conducted by Brian F. Smith and Associates (BFSA) for the Club Estates Project and associated off-site area. The proposed development is located on State Highway 76, south of Cole Grade Road, and north of Pala Valley Country Club, San Diego County, California (Attachment 1). No cultural resources were identified within the project area as a result of the reconnaissance, and no previously recorded sites are located within the project boundaries.

County: San Diego

USGS 7.5' Quad: *Boucher Hill*, California **Date:** Photorevised '71 **Section:** Unsectioned **Township:** 10 South **Range:** 1 West (Attachment 2)

Address: 15935 State Highway 76, Pauma Valley

Other Locational Data: The project is located on State Highway 76, south of Cole Grade Road, and north of Pala Valley Country Club in the County of San Diego, California.

Assessor Parcel Nos.: 130-100-17 & -26

UTM Coordinates: 501555 mE/ 3685322 mN – taken from the east corner of the project using the *Boucher Hill*, California 7.5' USGS topo map.

Elevation: approximately 780 to 885 feet AMSL

Owner/Address: V/O Pauma Development L.P.
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Survey Type: Intensive Pedestrian

Date of Survey: June 1, 2005 (project area) and June 12, 2007 (off-site access road)

Field Crew: Project Archaeologist Seth A. Rosenberg and Field Archaeologist Emily Game conducted the survey under the direction of Brian F. Smith, Principal Investigator.

Project Description:

The proposed development is located on State Highway 76, south of Cole Grade Road, and north of Pala Valley Country Club, San Diego County, California (Attachments 1 and 2). The proposed project involves the construction of single-family residences, pads, and associated access roads (Attachments 3 and 4). The cultural resources investigation of the property was conducted as part of the environmental clearance required for the construction of single-family residences, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the County of San Diego guidelines. The evaluation process was conducted to determine if any archaeological or historical cultural resources are present that would be affected by the proposed project, and whether these resources are significant according to state and/or federal criteria. The survey program was conducted in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the County of San Diego guidelines (approved September 26, 2006) to determine the presence of any archaeological or historical cultural resources that would be affected by the proposed project.

Methodology and Results:

The methodology employed during the current investigation followed standard archaeological field procedures and was sufficient to accomplish a thorough assessment of the project. No constraints or limitations were encountered during the current project. The field methodology employed for the project included walking survey transects evenly spaced approximately ten meters apart and oriented north to south across the entire property while visually inspecting the soil surface. The project, which involves APNs 130-100-17 and 130-100-26, is approximately 49 acres characterized as a general southwesterly slope consisting of an upper and lower terrace, and an orange grove with trees running northeast/southwest. There was no difficulty gaining access to the project area, and the entire parcel and associated off-site access road was thoroughly surveyed. The project area showed severe signs of disturbance due to continuing avocado orchard and nursery activities and a landscaped golf course adjacent to the proposed off-site access road. Large portions of the project appear to have been terraced to facilitate maintenance of the property and irrigation systems and collection of produce. All potentially sensitive areas where cultural resources might be located were closely inspected. No historic or prehistoric cultural resources were identified within the boundaries of the current project, and no artifacts, features, or darkened soils were observed within the project area. Photographs documenting project conditions at the time of survey are provided in Attachment 5.

In addition to the intensive pedestrian survey, a records search was requested from the South Coastal Information Center at San Diego State University to identify previously recorded archaeological sites in the project area (Attachment 6). The records search was negative for the presence of cultural resources within project boundaries.

Recommendations:

Although no cultural resources were located within the project area, the possibility remains that subsurface prehistoric deposits may be present. Major floods within the San Luis Rey River valley have the ability to cover archaeological deposits with alluvium. Therefore, it is recommended that the mitigation measures for this project include archaeological monitoring by a qualified archaeologist for all clearing and grading activities. Monitoring will facilitate the identification of any cultural resources uncovered during grading. Should archaeological deposits be discovered, the discovery location shall be temporarily secured from any possible disturbance until the County of San Diego can be notified, the resource evaluated, and any appropriate mitigation measures completed.

The initial survey of the project area was conducted in 2005, prior to the new San Diego County Cultural Resource Guidelines (approved September 26, 2006) requiring a Native American monitor to be present. Therefore, any future archaeological monitoring conducted as a mitigation measure for the project should include a Native American monitor to provide cultural consultation should any resources be identified during grading.

A copy of this report will be permanently filed with the South Coastal Information Center at San Diego State University. All notes and other materials related to this project will be curated at the archaeological laboratory of BFSa in Poway, California.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian F. Smith", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Brian F. Smith, Principal Investigator
Brian F. Smith and Associates

Attachments:

- 1 – General Location Map
- 2 – Project Location Map (7.5' USGS topographic map)
- 3 – Project Development Map
- 4 – Preliminary Grading Plans
- 5 – Project Photographs
- 6 – SCIC Cover Letter